

# **Distracted Driving**



# Fatal and Serious Injury Crashes in Idaho: 2011-2013

## How significant is the problem?

Over the last 3 years (2011-2013), there have been 114 fatal crashes and 879 serious injury crashes involving distracted drivers that have resulted in 125 people killed and 1134 people seriously injured. This represents 22% of all fatal crashes (and 22% of fatalities) and 28% of all serious injury crashes (and 30% of serious injuries).

In over half (68%) of the fatal and serious injury crashes distracted drivers were going straight, while 13% were negotiating a curve. The remaining driver actions were spread out among a variety of different vehicle maneuvers, including turning left (11%) and turning right (2%).

#### Where?

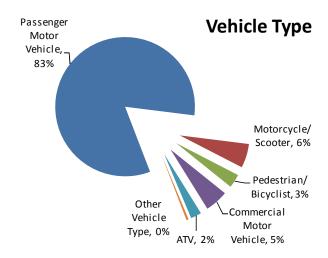
Rural roads have the highest percentage of aggressive driving fatal crashes at 81%. Urban roads have more serious injury crashes with 58%.

	Fatal	Serious Injury
Rural	92	373
Urban	22	506
Total	114	879

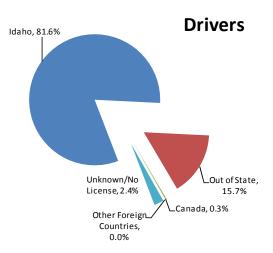
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The top 11 counties represent 74% of the distracted driver fatal and serious injury crashes occurring in Idaho over the last 3 years (2011-2013).

## What and Who?



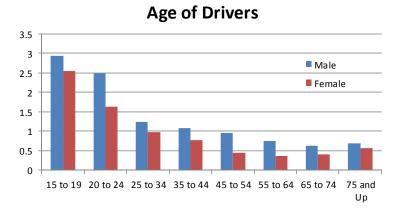
Vehicle types of distracted drivers involved in fatal and serious injury



State of licensure for distracted drivers in fatal and serious injury crashes.

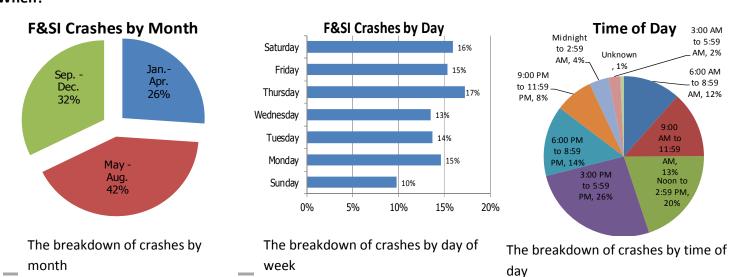
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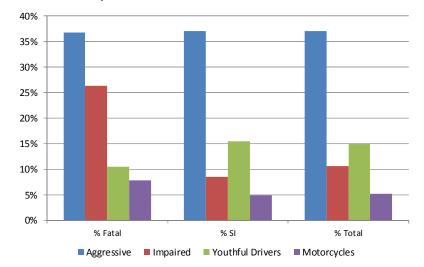
Males represent about 50% of all licensed drivers but make up over 60% of the drivers involved in distracted driving fatal and serious injury crashes. This graph shows the involvement by gender and age. Involvement is determined by dividing the percentage of the group involved in crashes by the percentage of licensed drivers in that group. The expected involvement is 1. A value greater than 1 indicates that the group is over involved in crashes.

## When?



### Other Characteristics

Of the 1259 people killed or seriously injured in crashes involving distracted drivers, 982 (78%) were passenger motor vehicle occupants. Of the 91 people killed, only 41% (37) were using safety restraints. Of the 873 people seriously injured, 71% (618) were using safety restraints. Of the passenger motor vehicle occupants killed or seriously injured in distracted driving crashes, 11% were partially or totally ejected. Of the occupants that were partially or totally ejected from their vehicle, 75% were unrestrained.



The breakdown of distracted driving crashes involving aggressive drivers, impaired drivers, youthful drivers and motorcyclists.

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